By: Hernandez H.B. No. 1104

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 1104:

By: Kuempel C.S.H.B. No. 1104

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

2	relating	to	sexual	assault	and	domestic	violence	awareness

3 continuing education for cosmetology license holders.

- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 1602.354, Occupations Code, is amended 6 by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:
- 7 (c) The commission shall require the continuing education
- 8 programs under Subsection (a) to include information, approved by
- 9 or acceptable to the commission, on sexual assault and domestic
- 10 violence awareness. A license holder subject to Subsection (a) who
- 11 is also a peace officer licensed under Chapter 1701, or an educator
- 12 certified under Subchapter B, Chapter 21, Education Code, is exempt
- 13 from the portion of continuing education described by this
- 14 subsection. The commission may waive the requirement that a
- 15 license holder participate in the portion of continuing education
- 16 described by this subsection if:
- 17 (1) the commission determines that completion of the
- 18 requirement will cause the person substantial financial hardship;
- 19 (2) the person is serving in the United States armed
- 20 <u>forces; or</u>

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- 21 (3) the person is incapacitated due to illness.
- SECTION 2. Subchapter I, Chapter 1602, Occupations Code, is
- 23 amended by adding Section 1602.408 to read as follows:
- Sec. 1602.408. IMMUNITY FROM LIABILITY. A person who has

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- 1 completed the portion of continuing education described by Section
- 2 1602.354(c), or that person's employer, is immune from civil and
- 3 criminal liability for reporting, in good faith, information
- 4 obtained during the course and scope of the person's employment
- 5 that relates to a potential act of sexual assault or domestic
- 6 violence.
- 7 SECTION 3. (a) Not later than March 1, 2018, the Texas
- 8 Commission of Licensing and Regulation shall adopt rules to
- 9 implement Section 1602.354, Occupations Code, as amended by this
- 10 Act.
- 11 (b) Section 1602.354, Occupations Code, as amended by this
- 12 Act, applies only to the renewal of a license or certificate that
- 13 expires on or after September 1, 2018. The renewal of a license or
- 14 certificate that expires before that date is governed by the law in
- 15 effect immediately before the effective date of this Act, and the
- 16 former law is continued in effect for that purpose.
- 17 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.